

THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently amended) A system supporting the management of multimedia display content in a communication network, the system comprising:

a television display, at a first location, supporting the consumption of media;

a first storage for storing media, at the first location, and having a first network address with respect to a first user at the first location;

a first set top box, at the first location, communicatively coupling the first storage to the communication network;

a user interface, at the first location, having at least one view comprising a representation of media available for consumption, the user interface supporting the selection and scheduling of media for delivery to a second location, wherein the first location is different than the second location;

a second set top box, at the second location;

at least one multimedia display, at the second location, communicatively coupled to the second set top box, and having a second network address with respect to a second user at the second location, wherein the second user is known to the first user; and

server software that maintains a user defined association of the first and second network addresses, that receives a request identifying one of the first and second associated network addresses, and that responds by identifying the other of the associated first and second network addresses to support delivery of media from the first set top box to the at least one multimedia display for consumption.

2. (Previously presented) The system of claim 1 wherein the media comprises one or more of audio, a still image, video, real time video, and/or data.

3. (Previously presented) The system of claim 1 wherein consumption comprises one or more of playing digitized audio, displaying a still image, displaying video, and/or displaying data.

4. (Previously presented) The system of claim 1 wherein the associated first and second network addresses are one of an Internet protocol (IP) address, a media access control (MAC) address, or an electronic serial number (ESN).

5. (Previously presented) The system of claim 1 wherein the communication network comprises one or more of a cable infrastructure, a satellite network infrastructure, a digital subscriber line (DSL) infrastructure, an Internet infrastructure, an intranet infrastructure, a wired infrastructure, and/or a wireless infrastructure.

6. (Original) The system of claim 1 wherein the communication network is the Internet.

7. (Previously presented) The system of claim 1 wherein the at least one multimedia display comprises one or more of a monochrome or color liquid crystal display

(LCD), a plasma display, "electronic paper", a projection display, and/or a light emitting diode (LED) display.

8. (Original) The system of claim 1 wherein the at least one multimedia display is communicatively coupled using a wireless link.

9. (Previously presented) The system of claim 8 wherein the wireless link is compatible with one or more of an IEEE 802.11b or related wireless network standard, a Bluetooth-based wireless network protocol, and/or an infrared communication protocol.

10. (Original) The system of claim 1 wherein the at least one multimedia display comprises: at least one sensor for detecting a condition, at the first home; and the detection of the condition resulting in a change in the media displayed.

11. (Previously presented) The system of claim 10 wherein the at least one sensor comprises one or more of a visible light motion detector, passive infrared (PIR) motion detector, an ultrasonic motion detector, and/or a microwave motion detector.

12. (Currently amended) A system supporting the management of multimedia display content in a communication network, the system comprising:

a television display, at a first location, supporting the consumption of media;

a storage for storing media, the storage communicatively coupled to the television display;

a set top box at the first location, communicatively coupling the storage to the communication network;

a user interface, at the first location, having at least one view comprising a representation of media available for consumption, the user interface supporting the selection and scheduling of media for delivery at a second location, wherein the first location is different than the second location;

at least one multimedia display, at the second location, communicatively coupled to the set top box; and

software that receives a request and that responds by coordinating delivery of media from the set top box at the first location, to the at least one multimedia display at the second location for consumption.

13. (Previously presented) The system of claim 12 wherein the media comprises one or more of audio, a still image, video, real time video, and/or data.

14. (Previously presented) The system of claim 12 wherein consumption comprises one or more of playing digitized audio, displaying a still image, displaying video, and/or displaying data.

15. (Previously presented) The system of claim 12 wherein the communication network comprises one or more of a cable infrastructure, a satellite network infrastructure, a digital subscriber line (DSL) infrastructure, an Internet infrastructure, an intranet infrastructure, a wired infrastructure, and/or a wireless infrastructure.

16. (Previously presented) The system of claim 12 wherein the at least one multimedia display comprises one or more of a monochrome or color liquid crystal display (LCD), a plasma display, "electronic paper", a projection display, and/or a light emitting diode (LED) display.

17. (Original) The system of claim 12 wherein the at least one multimedia display is communicatively coupled using a wireless link.

18. (Previously presented) The system of claim 17 wherein the wireless link is compatible with one or more of an IEEE 802.11b or related wireless network standard, a Bluetooth-based wireless network protocol, and/or an infrared communication protocol.

19. (Original) The system of claim 12 wherein the at least one multimedia display comprises: at least one sensor for detecting a condition, at the first home; and the detection of the condition resulting in a change in the media displayed.

20. (Previously presented) The system of claim 19 wherein the at least one sensor comprises one or more of a visible light motion detector, passive infrared (PIR) motion detector, an ultrasonic motion detector, and/or a microwave motion detector.

21. (Currently amended) A method of supporting the management of multimedia display content in a communication network, the method comprising:

receiving input from a user;

scheduling media for delivery from a first location to a second location based on input from the user at the second location, wherein the first location is different than the second location;

delivering media from the first location to the second location, via the communication network, if media is scheduled for delivery; and

refraining from delivering media from the first location to the second location, via the communication network, if media is not scheduled for delivery.

22. (Previously presented) The method of claim 21 wherein the media comprises one or more of audio, a still image, video, and/or data.

23. (Previously presented) The method of claim 21 wherein the communication network comprises one or more of a cable infrastructure, a satellite network infrastructure, a digital subscriber line (DSL) infrastructure, an Internet infrastructure, an intranet infrastructure, a wired infrastructure, and/or a wireless infrastructure.

24. (Original) The method of claim 21 wherein the user input is received via a user interface having at least one view comprising a representation of at least one user defined media channel supporting consumption of media.

25. (Original) The method of claim 21 wherein the delivery comprises: authenticating the first location to the second location; sending a request to transfer media, from the first location to the second location; receiving a response, at the first location from the second location; transferring the media, from the first location to the second location, if the response is an acceptance of the transfer of media; and refraining from transferring the media, from the first location to the second location, if the response is not an acceptance of the transfer of media.

26. (Currently amended) A system supporting the management of multimedia display content in a communication network, the system comprising:

set top box circuitry, in a set top box at a first location, communicatively coupled to support the management of display of media content at a second location; and

software that maintains a user defined association of first and second network addresses with respect to first and second users, respectively, at first and second locations location,

respectively, wherein the first and second users are known to one another, wherein the first location is different than the second location, wherein the software that receives a request identifying one of the first or second associated network address, and that responds by identifying the other of the associated first or second network addresses to support delivery of media content from the first set top box at the first location to the at least one multimedia display at the second location for consumption.

27. (Previously presented) The system of claim 26 wherein the media comprises one or more of audio, a still image, video, real time video, and/or data.

28. (Previously presented) The system of claim 26 wherein consumption comprises one or more of playing digitized audio, displaying a still image, displaying video, and/or displaying data.

29. (Previously presented) The system of claim 26 wherein the associated first and second network addresses are one of an Internet protocol (IP) address, a media access control (MAC) address, or an electronic serial number (ESN).

30. (Previously presented) The system of claim 26 wherein the communication network comprises one or more of a cable infrastructure, a satellite network infrastructure, a digital subscriber line (DSL) infrastructure, an Internet infrastructure, an intranet infrastructure, a wired infrastructure, and/or a wireless infrastructure.

31. (Previously presented) The system of claim 26 wherein the communication network is the Internet.

32. (Previously presented) The system of claim 26 wherein the at least one multimedia display comprises one or more of a monochrome or color liquid crystal display (LCD), a plasma display, "electronic paper", a projection display, and/or a light emitting diode (LED) display.

33. (Previously presented) The system of claim 26 wherein the at least one multimedia display is communicatively coupled using a wireless link.

34. (Previously presented) The system of claim 33 wherein the wireless link is compatible with one or more of an IEEE 802.11b or related wireless network standard, a Bluetooth-based wireless network protocol, and/or an infrared communication protocol.

35. (Previously presented) The system of claim 26 wherein the at least one multimedia display comprises: at least one sensor for detecting a condition, at the first home; and the detection of the condition resulting in a change in the media displayed.

36. (Previously presented) The system of claim 35 wherein the at least one sensor comprises one or more of a visible light motion detector, passive infrared (PIR) motion detector, an ultrasonic motion detector, and/or a microwave motion detector.

37. (Previously presented) A system supporting the management of multimedia display content in a communication network, the system comprising:

set top box circuitry, in a set top box at a first location, communicatively coupled to the communication network to support the management of display of media content at a second location, wherein the first location is different than the second location.

38. (Previously presented) The system of claim 37 wherein the set top box circuitry is communicatively coupled to the communication network to support the management of delivery of the media content to the second location.

39. (Previously presented) The system of claim 37 wherein the set top box circuitry controls, at least indirectly, what media content is being displayed at the second location.

40. (Previously presented) The system of claim 37 wherein the communication network comprises one or more of a cable infrastructure, a satellite network infrastructure, a digital subscriber line (DSL) infrastructure, an Internet infrastructure, an intranet infrastructure, a wired infrastructure, and/or a wireless infrastructure.

41. (Previously presented) The system of claim 37 wherein the communication network is the Internet.